



## DUAL IMMERSION ACADEMY

### **DIA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

**January 10, 2023**

Dual Immersion Academy

The meeting opened at 5:51 pm

Meeting attendance was in-person and virtual via Zoom

#### **Attendance:**

Board Members Present: Rich Stowell, Tereza Bagdasarova, Teri Slaugh, Mequette Sorensen, Geraldine Harris, Alice Akunyili, Monica Cuellar, Danni Helberg, Mac Newbold and Dr. Victor Jimenez

DIA Staff: Angela Fanjul and Rocio G. Fuentes

Other: Nate Adams from Red Apple and Abe Nielsen from FFKR Architect

Absent: Juan Araya

#### **Budget Report by Nate Adams, Red Apple**

The board received a report and went over the budget. There was an overall review of state funds, grant monies, including ESSER funds. The finance committee met and discussed the importance of being proactive in the use of those funds that will not be repeated. They also went over state revenues, new items added to the budget, expenses, professional and technical services. It was also reported that there were some savings in the afterschool program.

Discussion regarding an area of concern related to DIA's lunch program. An audit conducted in 2021 found errors in meal and student count. The State did not believe the error were neglectful or fraudulent. Lunch manger has met with the state to ensure counts are done correctly and avoid this problem to happen again. As a result of those errors, the state has requested a large reimbursement of lunch funds which will impact the lunch program, however, DIA will address the issue by making necessary adjustments to the budget where possible. The board requested a copy of the lunch program 2021 audit to be aware of the specific errors.

The board was reminded that the finance committee meets the Monday prior to the board meeting, and they will be discussing ESSER funds, and the board president extended an invitation to one or two board members who may be interested in joining the committee.

#### **Board Candidates/Membership**

None

#### **Board Officers**

None

#### **Director's Report by Angela Fanjul**

a. *DIA Remodeling Project – Abe Nielsen from FFRK for the Playground (introduction & plan for next steps)*

Abe Nielsen presented master plan proposal to the board and indicated they met with DIA staff to gather their input about the project. He also invited the board to offer any thoughts about it as well. Abe indicated there are three options and talked about challenges to be considered. The next step will be to choose one option, refine it to present a more detailed master plan.

*b. Title I - DIA Language Access Policy (discussion and vote)*

The board reviewed and discussed the DIA Language Access Policy and made the following changes/amendments:

1. Item 5.2: The word REGULATION should say POLICY
2. Item 6.3: Entire item stricken because it is not needed although it may change later.
3. Item 6.5: Entire item stricken.

**Motion to approve the Title I – DIA Language Access Policy, including the three changes/amendments mentioned above.**

**Motion by: Rich Stowell**

**Seconded by: Teri Slaugh**

**Motion passed unanimously**

*c. Enrollment Plans*

DIA is currently open for next school year enrollment. The intent to return forms were sent out to current students and it closes this Friday. After that enrollment is open to everyone. DIA director invited board members to go online and place a review regarding their experience at DIA, especially those board members who have or had their children enrolled at DIA. DIA director will email the board the different platforms they can share their review.

*d. Staffing Plans for 23-24*

Tabled for next meeting

*e. DIA 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (update)*

Tabled for next meeting

**Closed Session under UT 52-4-205 (as needed)**

**Re-open the meeting for board vote (as needed)**

None

**Approval of minutes: November 8, 2022**

**Motion by: Teri Slaugh**

**Seconded by: Mequette Sorensen**

**Motion passed unanimously**

**Motion to close the meeting**

**Motion by: Rich Stowell**

**Seconded by: Mac Newbold**

**Motion passed unanimously**

Meeting concluded at 6:59 pm

**Next meeting: February 14, 2023, at 5:30 pm**